

SCDXC Newsletter



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Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except May, June and May. Please check the club web site for events and details at:
<http://www.scdxc.org>
If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

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*If you need him get in
there and work him"*





Sandi Heyn, WA6WZN (SK)

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of Sandi Heyn, WA6WZN. Sandi was longtime member of the SCDXC and along with her husband of 57 years Fried, WA6WZO have been a fixture for many years at club activities and the IDXC. Our condolences to the entire Heyn family.

No information on services are available at this time.

Well known ham Sandi Heyn WA6WZN is Silent Key

Members of the Nevada amateur radio community were saddened to learn of the passing of well known amateur radio operator Sandra Heyn WA6WZN of Costa Mesa, California.

Sandi Heyn succumbed at home on April 28th following a three year battle with cancer. She was 75.

A member and leader of many amateur radio groups, Sandi is remembered by Nevada hams for her long time participation with the ARRL booth and the Ham Radio Operators reception at the annual National Association of Broadcasters conventions in Las Vegas.

Sandi was a member of the Orange County Amateur Radio Club, the Palomar Amateur Radio Club, the Quarter Century Wireless Association, the Southern California DX Club, the Young Ladies Radio Club of Los Angeles, she was a past officer of the Young Ladies Radio League, a life member of the American Radio Relay League, a member of the Western Country Cousins, the Bishop Amateur Radio Club, and many other amateur radio groups.

Sandi played a big role in the organization of the 1992 ARRL National Convention in Los Angeles. She was also a member of the ARRL Maxim Society, where by way of her generous financial contributions she has helped to ensure that amateur radio continues for future generations.

Sandra Heyn was the bride of Fried Heyn WA6WZO for the past 57 years.

Both Sandi and Fried were active skiing enthusiasts throughout her life, and could often be found on the slopes of Mammoth Lakes and other ski areas.

Fried Heyn is the Vice President Emeritus of the ARRL and past Director of the ARRL Southwest Division. Together Fried and Sandi Heyn continued as ambassadors for the ARRL and for amateur radio as a whole.

In a final act of giving, it was Sandi's wish that her body be donated science. No service have been planned at this time.

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From the Desk of the President

Mel Hughes, K6SY

No words from Mel. We will upload again when we receive the president's column.



VP Notes

Kris Jacob, KC6TOD

Greetings to All,

The 69th International DX Convention is in the history books, it was a tremendous success! The programs were enjoyed by all. I have received many emails with positive remarks... A very special thank you to each person who help planning and work during the convention, as you all know this is not a simple task but one that takes serious commitments. We are fortunate to have very talented members willing to help. The 2020 IDXC will be hosted by the Southern California DX Club and will need members to step up to the plate.

Again, my personal thanks to each of you who helped make this a great production!

Our May guest speaker will be our own Don Minkoff, N6KA... his presentation will be very interesting and as always well done. We are fortunate to have several members who have great experiences to share with us.

Mark your calendars, our annual picnic will be Sunday, June 10th, 2018 at Woodley Park. This year is the SCDXC's year to host the annual Summer Bash on Sunday, August 12th, it will be at our home KC6TOD & N6VNI! Our Christmas/Chanukah Party will be held on Sunday, December 16th at the Reef Restaurant. If you have any suggestions for guest speakers/programs, please let me know.

Please note your calendar for all these events, we, as your board have tried to plan in advance for all our special occasions.

73 and Good Dxing!

Kris Jacob

KC6TOD



May Calendar

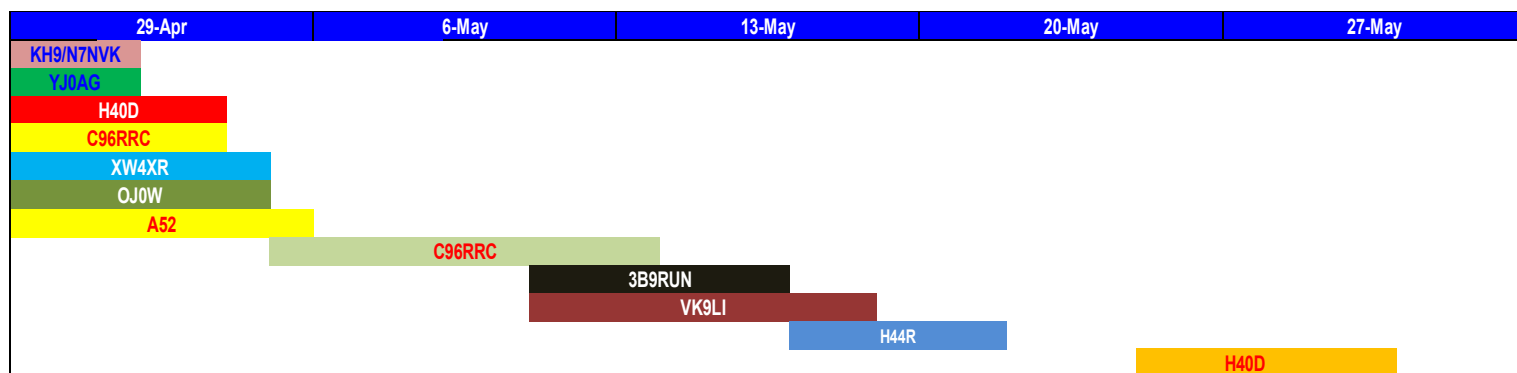
May 5	ARI International DX Contest
May 10	Regular SCDXC Meeting
May 12	Volta WW RTTY Contest
May 12	CQ-M International DX Contest
May 19	UN DX Contest SP DX RTTY Contest
May 19	His Majesty King of Spain Contest, CW
May 19	Aegean RTTY Contest
May 19	Baltic Contest
May 26	CQWW WPX Contest, CW

Rumors on the Band

We had another great month. Here are the interesting announcements for this month. Remember that the WPX CW contest at the end of the month.

QTH	Call	Start Date	End Date	Information
Wake Island	KH9/N7NVK	Now	30-Apr	N7NVK QRP
Vanuatu	YJ0AG	Now	29-Apr	VK5GR 80-10m SSB Digital
Temotu	H40D	Now	3-May	VE3LYC 40-10m CW SSB
Mozambique	C96RRC	Now	3-May	R7AL RA1ZZ RZ3K RK8A RN3BZ 40-10m CW SSB Digi
Laos	XW4XR	Now	4-May	3W3B 40-6m CW RTTY FT8
Market Reef	OJ0W	Now	4-May	OH3WS CW SSB
Bhutan	A52	Now	5-May	JH3AEF (A52AEF) JA3IVU (A52IVU) JR3MVF + WA0WOF (A52YL) 80-6m SSB CW Digital
Mozambique	C96RRC	5-May	9-May	R7AL RA1ZZ RZ3K RK8A RN3BZ 40-10m CW SSB Digi
Rodrigues Island	3B9RUN	11-May	16-May	FR4NP FR4PF FR4PM FR5CB FR5FC 80-10m SSB FT8
Lord Howe Island	VK9LI	11-May	18-May	VK3QB VK3YB VK3HJ 160-17m CW SSB FT8
Gibraltar	ZB/DF8AN	17-May	21-May	DF8AN 6m SSB CW FSK MSK
Svalbard	JW8DW	25-May	29-May	LA8DW HF CW SSB

DX for May



DX Standings

For some reason KC6X, Will's standings dropped in last month's column. Hopefully this column is correct.

Ray Day, N6HE, has also added to his count.

If you missed it the WAZ credits have been added to LoTW. Now you can submit your credits with a mouse click.

For the rest, many are short one, Z6. By June the standings should be brought up to date. Martti, OH2BH, gave the IDXC all the Z60A QSLs that went to the preregistered attendees posted on the website. 52% of the attendees worked this new entity and now they have the QSL!!!!

Send any updates to:
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SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M **Mixed**
P **Phone**
C **CW**
R **RTTY**
5 **5 Band**

The first DXCC column is the confirmed entity count with deleted countries. The second column is the confirmed current entity count. The third column is the challenge slots.

The members highlighted in **Red** are at the top of the Honor Roll. Those in **Blue** are on the Honor Roll

SCDXC Southern California Members Standings 2018								WAZ Standings		
	DXCC				DXCC			Call	10B / 5B	Awards
DXCC	Total	Current	Slots	DXCC	Total	Current	Slots			
W6KH	388	339		KJ6Y	326	324	1312	K6ND	378 / 200	M/5
K6KII	387	339		AC6DX	322	320	1898	W6SR	369 / 200	M/P/C//5
JA1BK	382	339		N6NPG	319	317		K6FG	365 / 198	M/P/C/R/5
K6YRA	377	339		AK6I	316	314	1126	WA5VGI	358 / 200	M/P/C/5
OH2BH	377	339		W1YL	315	312		W8DX	357 / 200	M/5
ON4UN	372	339		N6GP	314	292	1583	EU7SA	357 / 200	M/5
K6EXO	371	339		KC6T	314	312		N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
N6UC	368	339		W6HB	311	308	1029	NS6C	345 / 200	
W6BCQ	365	339	1600	N6VNI	310	308	1475	N6WS	339 / 198	M/P/C/5
K6YUI	365	339		K6TX	307	300		N6RV	339 / 191	M/P/C
DJ9ZB	365	339		NK6A	303	297	957	K6YRA	337 / 200	P/5
K6IPV	362	334	1800	W3SE/ZL3TE	295	293	1413	K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
NS6C	360	339	2282	N6DHZ	292	290	1008	WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
K6SMF	360	337		N6UOZ	280	280		N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
W6HT	358	339		KT6LA	279	277	1039	K6UNR	/ 200	M/P/5
W6SR	358	339	2822	WA6WXD	274	272		W6VX	352 / 199	
N4XX	358	339		K7MY	267	265	831	K6GXO	358 / 198	M
WA6WZO	357	339		K6VC	259	256		W6ENZ	347 / 197	
K6FG	356	339	2747	N6WT	257	257	1071	SM5GMZ	345 / 196	M/P/C
K8RD	356	339		W6DOE	244	242	1005	N6MXU	155 / 193	
KR6C	355	338	1990	KQ6K	243	241		K2PLF	191 / 191	
K6GXO	355	339	2633	N6VOH	243	241		KC6X	294 / 187	M/P/C/5
N6RV	355	338	2050	K6SS	242	240		N6QQ	325 / 186	M/P/C/R
W6IRD	354	337		W6LEN	236	209	656	K6LD	314 / 186	M/P/C
K5KT	354	339		K6JEY	234	230		W6YOO	308 / 185	M/P/C/5
W6OU	354	335	1436	K6IRD	233	230		KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
N6QQ	353	337	2206	N6HE	232	224	636	KH6MB	304 / 179	5
W6TJI	353	337		N6AA	222	218		K0OK	286 / 173	
W8DX	352	339	2519	K6AWB	219	217		K6SY	246 / 173	P
N7NR	350	336	1123	W6WVW	210	208		W6ZPL	237 / 173	M/P
W6TK	350	339	1911	K6DDJ	204	201	534	KJ6Y	261 / 172	
W6VX	349	339	2772	KK6FJQ	202	200	149	KR6C	295 / 171	M/C
KC6X	349	338	2028	W6KC	201	200	571	AD6KQ	226 / 164	
W6YOO	349	338		N6PZK	201	198		N6DHZ	214 / 160	P
W6ENZ	348	338	2393	W6JEA	195	193		K6KII	191 / 177	M
N6HC	348	339	2280	NE6V	193	193	554	W6DR	227 / 159	
W6KK	348	339	1822	K6QU	174	86	157	N6HE	190 / 153	
N6WS	348	336	2016	KB6CIO	167	164		NK6A	152 / 152	M/5
AI6Z	348	329	2166	KF6I	166	162		W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
N6IC	347	336		N6PM	164	163	455	WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
K6ND	347	339	2558	AA6VX	156	155	389	W6IRD	151 / 111	M/P
WA5VGI	347	339	2738	W6EA	152	149		W5DQ	161 / 122	
N6HY	345	337	2443	W6QE	149	149	224	K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
SM5GMZ	344	333	2275	AB9A	141	139		WB6PSY	139 / 140	P
K6LPO	344	330	1236	N6DBF	134	134	374	KT6LA	132 / 103	
N6PE	344	331	1697	N6RU	127	126	261	W3SE	102 / 112	
N6PEQ	343	336	1908	K6DSW	122	122		K6IRA	118 / 102	
K7ACZ	341	324	1756	KC6TOD	120	119		K6VC	96 / 96	P
KM6HB	341	334	1890	K6MKL	115	115		W6EA	92 / 86	
W6FL	339	334	1129	KA6D	107	107		N6UC	78 / 78	M
W6SW	338	330	551	N6LL	105	105		KA6TTV	82 / 67	
W6ZPL	338	335		K6BBC	103	103		N6VNI	86 / 64	
N6XT	337	330		N6HD	101	101		N6RRY	74 / 64	
K2IXQ	336	331	1728	NQ6L	100	100		N6GIL	49 / 43	
K6RO	336	334	1531	K7LA	100	100	1768	W6DCK	40 / 40	P
N6MXU	333	330	1387	WA6MEM	100	100		K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
K6SY	333	323	1037	K6SBA	100	100		K6YR	39 / 39	
KØOK	329	327	1680	K9TAD	51	51	65	W6DOE	37 / 37	
N6AX	327	325	1114	KE6PLA	45	45	96	NZ6L	36 / 36	
W6DR	327	322	1405	WZ6D	36	36	52	W4EF	29 /	
K6JW	327	321	1081	KK6ABZ	13	13		N6AWD		M
AA6PW	326	324	1632					N6HC		M/P/C
								KB6KTV		P
								W6OES		M
								K8RD		C

2018 Get Schroeder Contest

2017 Get Schroeder Leaders						
2018 Entities Worked by SCDXC						238
2018 ClubLog Leaders						266
2017 SCDXC Members						281
2017 SCDXC Leaders (N6RV)						263
2017 ClubLog Leaders						289
Rank	Call	Entities	Delta	Missed	-QO	Uniques
1	N6WS	216	37	22	-32	2
2	W6OU	200	39	38	-16	1
3	N6WT	197	11	41	-13	2
4	W6TK	192	44	46	-8	1
5	N6QQ	184	31	54	0	1
6	N6RV	182	36	56	2	0
7	WA5VGI	171	41	67	13	0
8	KC6X	157	36	81	27	0
9	K7ACZ	141	51	97	43	0
10	A16Z	130	48	108	54	0
11	W6DR	125	20	113	59	0
12	N6PM	118	38	120	66	0
13	W6MKO	116	26	122	68	0
14	W6SR	103	36	135	81	0

1A0	4S	7Q	A3	CE9	E7	FK	GI	HS	KH0	LZ	PJ7	T2	TY	VK9L	VU4	YV0
1S	4U1ITU	7X	A4	CN	EA	FK/C	GJ	HV	KH1	OA	PY	T30	TZ	VK9M	VU7	Z2
3A	4U1UN	8P	A5	CO	EA6	FM	GM	HZ	KH2	OD	PY0F	T31	UA	VK9N	XE	Z3
3B7	4W	8Q	A6	CP	EA8	FO	GU	I	KH3	OE	PY0S	T32	UA0	VK9W	XF4	Z6
3B8	4X	8R	A7	CT	EA9	FO/A	GW	ISO	KH4	OH	PY0T	T33	UA2	VK9X	XT	Z8
3B9	5A	9A	A9	CT3	EI	FO/C	H4	J2	KH5	OH0	PZ	T5	UJ	VP2E	XU	ZA
3C	5B	9G	AP	CU	EK	FO/M	H40	J3	KH6	OJ0	R1F	T7	UN	VP2M	XW	ZB2
3C0	5H	9H	BS7H	CX	EL	FP	HA	J5	KH7K	OK	S0	T8	UR	VP2V	XX9	ZC4
3D2	5N	9J	BU	CY0	EP	FR	HB	J6	KH8	OM	S2	TA	V2	VP5	XZ	ZD7
3D2/C	5R	9K	BV9P	CY9	ER	FS	HB0	J7	KH8S	ON	S5	TF	V3	VP6	YA	ZD8
3D2/R	5T	9L	BY	D2	ES	FR/G	HC	J8	KH9	OX	S7	TG	V4	VP6/D	YB	ZD9
3DA	5U	9M2	C2	D4	ET	FR/J	HC8	JA	KL7	OY	S9	TI	V5	VP8	YI	ZF
3V	5V7	9M6	C3	D6	EU	FR/T	HH	JD1/M	KP1	OZ	SM	T19	V6	VP8/G	YJ	ZK3
3W	5W	9N	C5	DL	EX	FT5W	HI	JD1/O	KP2	P2	SP	TJ	V7	VP8/H	YK	ZL
3XA	5X	9Q	C6	DU	EY	FT5X	HK	JT	KP4	P4	ST	TK	V8	VP8/O	YL	ZL7
3Y/B	5Z	9U	C9	E3	EZ	FT5Z	HK0/M	JW	KP5	P5	SU	TL	VE	VP8/S	YN	ZL8
3Y/P	6W	9V	CE	E4	F	FW	HK0/S	JX	LA	PA	SV	TN	VK	VP9	YO	ZL9
4J	6Y	9X	CE0X	E5/N	FG	FY	HL	JY	LU	PJ2	SV/A	TR	VK0H	VQ9	YS	ZP
4L	7O	9Y	CE0Y	E5/S	FH	G	HP	K	LX	PJ4	SV5	TT	VK0M	VR	YT	ZS
4O	7P	A2	CE0Z	E6	FJ	GD	HR	KG4	LY	PJ5	SV9	TU	VK9C	VU	YV	ZS8

SCDXC Get Schroeder Standings 2018																		
Rank	Call	160	80	60	40	30	20	17	15	12	10	6	Total	Slots	Yrs			
1	N6WS	35	54	9	140	101	176	102	65	12	22	0	216	716	54			
2	W6OU	4	16	0	66	24	141	28	15	7	2	1	200	304	55			
3	N6WT	16	25	0	103	42	165	42	40	0	2	0	197	435	4			
4	W6TK	11	47	0	134	45	165	53	59	3	20	0	192	537	61			
5	N6QQ	0	38	0	115	99	152	70	58	15	22	3	184	572	61			
6	N6RV	0	0	0	124	53	128	36	60	5	17	0	182	423	50			
7	WA5VGI	21	16	0	1	41	138	52	36	0	4	0	171	309	34			
8	KC6X	9	56	5	98	85	120	93	45	11	9	0	157	531	41			
9	K7ACZ	5	27	0	55	13	123	17	24	1	1	0	141	266	49			
10	A16Z	1	16	0	65	10	98	6	37	1	4	0	130	238	25			
11	W6DR	33	52	0	109	13	95	13	47	1	2	0	125	365	38			
12	N6PM	0	1	0	35	37	40	75	24	7	9	0	118	228	24			
13	W6MKO	0	15	0	69	12	68	26	8	0	0	0	116	198	1			
14	W6SR	4	19	0	41	2	94	1	48	0	2	0	103	211	51			
15	N6VNI	0	35	0	32	2	63	27	22	0	3	1	93	185	29			
16	SM5GMZ	40	31	0	11	14	25	25	11	0	0	0	93	157	49			
17	NS6C	16	13	0	39	24	36	19	7	2	1	0	85	157	61			
18	NK6A	0	0	0	27	1	73	7	41	0	0	0	81	149	73			
19	N6GP	0	51	0	0	3	55	2	24	0	3	1	81	139	29			
20	K6QU	0	15	0	55	10	32	12	6	1	2	0	72	133	4			
21	W6ENZ	9	7	0	40	11	24	19	10	3	1	0	71	124	51			
22	N6HE	0	0	0	35	5	53	25	26	0	2	0	70	146	40			
23	W6KC	0	31	0	37	0	53	0	26	0	0	0	67	147	21			
24	ZL3TE	0	6	3	36	11	29	29	9	0	0	0	65	123	14			
25	N6SV	12	8	0	15	0	36	7	3	0	0	0	63	81	22			
26	K7MY	0	0	0	7	0	45	0	32	0	13	0	60	97	41			
27	WB6DJ	0	0	0	46	0	20	17	0	0	0	0	56	83	5			
28	KM6HB	2	11	0	22	18	24	15	12	12	2	0	47	118	27			
29	KK6FJQ	0	0	0	13	5	23	8	6	1	2	0	44	58	5			
30	KF6I	1	3	0	36	0	14	0	10	0	0	0	43	64	14			
31	K6FG	7	7	0	17	8	12	7	5	1	5	1	40	70	62			
32	N6DBF	0	0	0	19	5	15	11	7	0	0	1	30	58	32			
33	SG5Z	0	6	0	1	9	11	10	3	0	0	0	30	40	4			
34	N6RRY	0	0	0	0	0	28	0	5	0	0	0	30	33	30			
35	K6YUI	12	0	0	2	2	9	3	1	0	0	1	25	30	61			
36	N6RU	0	1	0	0	1	15	1	12	0	1	0	24	31	12			
37	K9TAD	0	0	0	3	3	16	0	0	0	0	1	22	23	11			
38	K6DDJ	0	2	0	3	5	11	5	3	0	0	0	21	29	23			
39	K6RRD	2	4	0	5	6	6	2	6	0	2	1	18	34	10			
40	AC6DX	0	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	11			
41	KR6C	1	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	40			
42	W6SW	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	39			
43	K6RO	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	30			

Chart Legend	
White / Green	Entity Worked This Year by a Member
Black / White	Very Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Blue	Entity with Announced DXpedition
Black / Yellow	Rarely Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Red	Inactive Entity
	Deleted Entity

We had another good month! Look at the entities members have added below. These are not run of the mill entities! They are rare!!!! Are you getting in on the great low band activity?

The DXpeditions are generating a lot of activity!

The SCDXC leader, N6WS, moved up one slot to 27 on the Global ClubLog leader board, with 216 worked. This is indicative of the lower SFI. Because of the distance from major population centers and from the rare entities in Asia, Indian Ocean, Europe, and Africa, the West Coast has a greater challenge at the bottom of the cycle. Jim Okubo, W6OU, is on the rise. The second one to break 200 entities he is #2 in SCDXC and #56 globally. Kent, N6WS, is back and added 14 more entities to his count in 2 weeks and now is 3 away from 200. The top ten are moving very well. In particular, Will, KC6X, has been on the attack. As you know will suffered a back injury and was out of commission for a while. He writes:

"I'm still looking for Mt. Athos for my #1 DXCC. My totals are improving finally being QRV after a forced 5-year hiatus. I'm only running an OCF dipole at 50 feet. It's non-resonant on 15, 30, and 160. I'm planning to erect a SteppIR DB42 up in a few months if things work out. It's lying in pieces in my garage right now.

I hope things are going okay there on the Left Coast. I miss being able to see everyone there."

In summary SCDXC has worked 238 entities while ClubLog in general worked 266 entities. SCDXC has no entities worked that ClubLog leaders have not. The converse is 28.

We now have 14 members who worked DXCC this year and in the first three months we are at 80% of the entities worked by SCDXC last year. In spite of poor conditions there is still DX to work and some of it is new.

28 Countries Worked by ClubLog but not SCDXC

3V	5A	9N	FP	S2	TT	YA
4J	5U	A3	FS	S7	VP2V	YI
4U1ITU	8Q	E4	FW	ST	VQ9	Z8
4W	8R	ET	HB0	SV/A	XZ	ZS8

16 Countries added to SCDXC Total in March

3B7	EX	R1F	T32
9L	EY	S9	TU
AP	FJ	SU	VK9X
EK	KH9	T2	YJ

TID BITS

Byron Gutheil K6TX SK (W6YA)

It was a surprise to hear that Byron became a silent key last year.

Jim Wrote:

"I guess you know that K6TX (W6AVM) was the last surviving charter member of ALL the CA DX clubs, and he died last year."

Byron was born in 1930. He became interested in DX right after the war, and claimed to have not missed much from 1948 through 1950 when lots of the rare ones were on. He told me the story of how he was recruited to the CIA when he was only about 20 years old. That was his career. He was the guy who got them to change the rule that prevented CIA agents from operating ham radio in foreign countries. He spent a lot of time in other countries before that and missed a lot of ham radio until he got back on in the late 70s or so. "

An era has ended. The pioneers of DX in Southern California are gone!! We now carry the torch.

9M6XRO John Plenderleith SK (N6RV)

Equally surprising was the announcement at the 2018 IDXC that long time DXer John, 9M6XRO, passed away last year. Why is this important to SCDXC? Well it is important to the whole DX community. John was one of the few active amateurs in Sabah. Soon this entity may have no DX presence on HF.

The second most active ham is 9M6NA, Saty Nakamura, who was worked in the 2017 CQWW CW contest. His station is set up at 9M6MO, Mohammed's QTH. Possibly Saty or Mohammed will pick up where John left off. There are several clubs and novice amateurs but none very active. Maybe they will be only active on FT8 with limited antennas and radios.



In any event it suffices to say that the first to fall in the aging population will be the sparsely represented entities. In a few years, with the changing of the guard in those country's ministries amateur radio licensing will be lost.

Who among us wants to move to Sabah?

W6OBB, Art Bell SK (W6HB)

Doug forwarded this article regarding well known ham and radio talk show host Art Bell's passing.

[Art Bell](#)

TID BITS

2018 IDXC

Bob's (N6TV) excellent photos: [N6TV Photos](#)

Paul's (N6PSE) great blog post on the convention with pictures: [N6PSE Blog](#)

Steve's (N2AJ) wonderful video of the playing of the Kosovo National Anthem at the banquet: [Banquet](#)

Gayle's (K6GO) energetic YL Forum [YL Forum](#)

Another SCDXC convention has come and gone! Committee members most likely are still recovering.

The crew that supported this task is significant however, we are getting older and there is a real need to spread out the responsibilities to a wider base in 2020. There is also great opportunity to improve the convention so adding more people to the committee is paramount. It may be necessary to partner with other clubs in the future. The attendance was lower than previous years but this year the vendor room was full and money was being exchanged for cool radio stuff!!

The highlight of the convention was the Kosovo presentation. Martti Laine, OH2BH, Vjollca Caka, Z61VB, and Jim Fenstermaker, K9JF did an excellent job explaining the struggles of the new nation and the difficulty becoming a DXCC entity. It was well worth it. It was an emotional evening for both the presenters and audience as cited by Bob, W9KNI.

*"Martti - it was a pleasure to see you at Visalia. I do regret we did not have a chance to chat further. I did very much enjoy your presentation at the banquet Saturday night. **The idea of having the three of you make the presentation was very effective and indeed for me at least an emotional one. Also I was delighted about how well it was received by the banquet attendees. It was easily and truly the most memorable banquet presentation I ever attended. I will remember it the rest of my days.***

I hope the rest of your trip goes well, and that you have a safe trip home.

Cheers/73

Bob W9KNI"



TID BITS

For Sale (N6RV)

It is time to clean out my station. The following items are looking for a new home. All but the in-service items are available immediately. Some of the in-service items may be available as well. Others will become available shortly after the replacements arrive. All the antennas, except the new in box 40m yagi, are broken down to half elements and booms. All offers near current used prices will be taken under consideration. Items not sold will either be kept or sold on eBay and eHam. n6rv@arri.net

1. Flex 5000a Transceiver (In-service)
2. Flex 1500 Transceiver
3. Yaesu FT 1000MP MKV Transceiver + FTV1000 200w 6m xvtr w/ p.s.
4. Icom IC 756 PRO III Transceiver w / p.s. (In-service)
5. Icom IC 756 PRO II Transceiver w / p.s.
6. Kenwood TS 950SAT Transceiver (good compliment of filters)
7. Kenwood TS 850SAT Transceiver (full compliment of filters)
8. Collins 32S-1 Transmitter
9. Collins 75S-3 Receiver
10. Collins Mobile Power Supply
11. Collins Speaker
12. Swan 500 w/ p.s.
13. Viking II Transmitter
14. Alpha 87a Amplifier (In-service)
15. Icom PW-1 Amplifier (In-service)
16. Kenwood TL 922a Amplifier
17. Kenwood TL 922a Amplifier
18. Heathkit SB221 Converted to 6m by King Conversions
19. 4-1000 Homebrew Amplifier RF Deck (2 vacuum variables & larger roller inductor) w/ 2 extra tubes
20. Kenwood SW-2000 power meter w/ coupler
21. Kenwood SW-2000 power meter w/ coupler
22. Astron RS 35 power supply
23. Astron RS 35M power supply
24. Astron RS 50 power supply
25. WX0B Stack Match
26. M2 40M2L 2 Element 40m Yagi (unopened box)
27. KLM 2 Element 40m Yagi
28. M² KT36XA Triband Yagi
29. KLM KT34XA Triband Yagi
30. KLM KT34XA Triband Yagi
31. TIC Rotating Ring
32. Tailtwister Rotator (purchased new used & never used)
33. Ham IV Rotator

Resource Page

Useful DX Sites

N0HR DXpedition Map
www.n0hr.com/wk34/

The DX Zone
www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

The Daily DX
www.dailydx.com/

Announced DX Ops
www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

DXing.info
www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/

DX 425 News
www.425dxn.org/dxped/

Dx-info.de
www.dx-info.de

DX Italia DX News

Propagation

Life as a Bottom Feeder

Even though we are at the bottom of the sunspot cycle the bands have been open. 10 meters had a great North / South opening on Sunday during the WPX SSB contest. There have been a few openings recently on 15m and 12m.

Now we are heading into the 6 meter sporadic E season. Sporadic E propagation is based almost solely on lightning strokes. It moves from East to West around the world. If you see propagation to stations to your East then possibly in a short while the band will open for you. It is independent of the solar cycle yet it is cyclic, depending on the weather.

We just made our first 6 meter contacts of the season. N6WS and N6WT were easy to work :-)! Join us on Mumble!

ARRL VE Exam Sessions

To find an ARRL exam sessions in your area go to the website:

<http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>

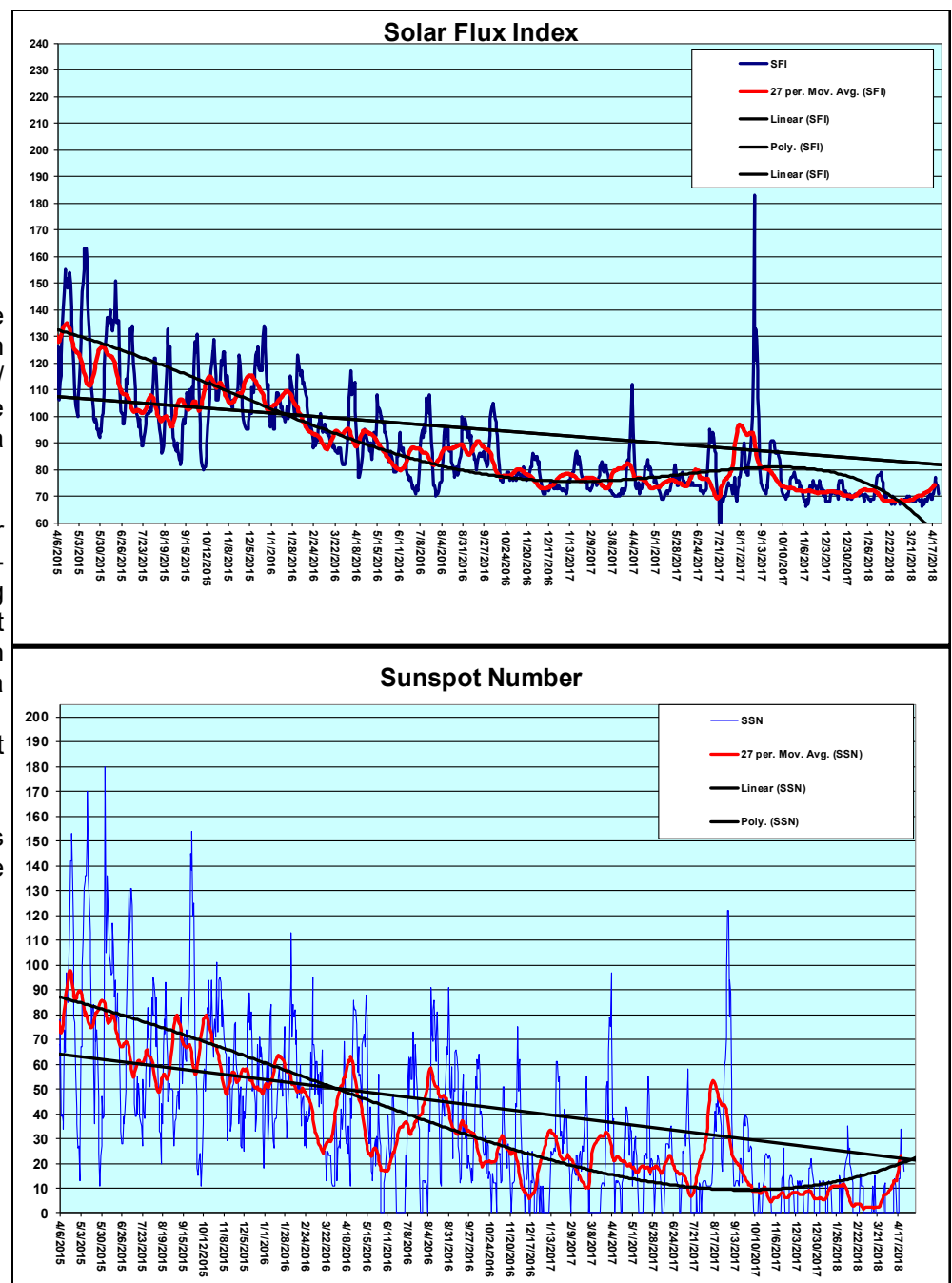
Club and Conduct Sites

Officer Guidelines

http://www.scdxc.org/download/Officer_Guidelines.pdf

DX Code of Conduct

<http://www.dx-code.org/>





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